



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Justin L. Kreuzer

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Control of Illumination  
Polarization**

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***Submission under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and Preliminary Amendment under  
Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115***

***RCE***

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Filed concurrently herewith in the captioned application is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Prior to examination of the RCE on the merits, please amend the application as directed herein. Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.